Claims

What is claimed is:

A magneto-optical recording medium having a recording layer and a reflective layer on a substrate characterized in that the recording layer has a layered structure in which a garnet ferrite layer, and any one of a spinel ferrite layer, rutile-type oxide layer or a hematite layer are layered.

2. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein said recording layer has tracks on which data are recorded, and said layer structure is formed at least on the tracks.

Wherein only garnet ferrite layers are present between said tracks.

- 4. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein said recording layer is located between said substrate and said reflective layer.
- 5. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein said reflective layer is located between said substrate and said recording layer.
- 6. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein the thickness of said garnet ferrite layer is 40 to 400nm, and that of said spinel ferrite layer, said rutile-type oxide layer or said hematite layer is 10 to 100nm.
- 7. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein said recording layer has a multi-layered structure in which a plurality of garnet ferrite layers and a plurality of spinel ferrite layers, rutile-type oxide layers or hematite layers are layered.
- 8. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 7, wherein the thickness of said recording layer is 40 to 1000nm.

- 9. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein grooves are formed on the surface of at least one of said substrate, said reflective layer or said recording layer.
- 10. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein loads are attached to the surface of at least one of said substrate, said reflective layer or said recording layer.
- 11. A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1, wherein a transparent layer is formed on the surface of said recording layer or said reflective layer.

A magneto-optical recording medium according to Claims 11, wherein grooves are formed on the surface of said transparent layer.

- Manufacturing method of a magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1 characterized by comprising a step of heat treatment at a temperature of 500 to 700 °C after the formation of said recording layer.
- 14. Manufacturing method of a magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1 characterized by comprising a step of heat treatment at a temperature of 600 to 630 °C after the formation of said recording layer.
- 15. A magneto-optical recording and playback device to record and playback data using a magneto-optical recording medium, characterized in that the wavelength of the light for recording data in said magneto-optical recording medium is different from the wavelength of the light for reading data from said magneto-optical recording medium.
- 16. A magneto-optical recording and playback device to record and playback data according to Claim 15 characterized in that said magneto-optical recording medium has a recording layer which comprises a garnet ferrite layer.
- 17. A magnet optical recording and playback device according



to Claim 15, wherein said magneto-optical recording medium is the magneto-optical recording medium according to Claim 1.

18. A magneto-optical recording and playback device according to Claim 15, wherein said light for recording and said light for reading are provided by one light source.